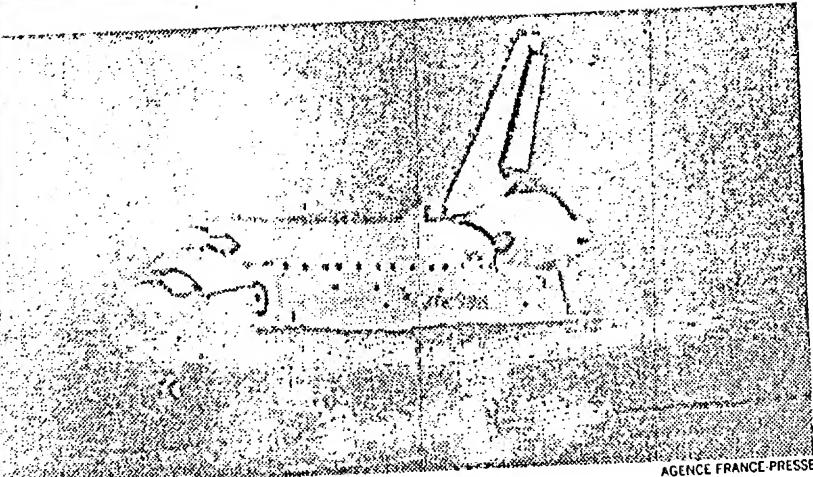


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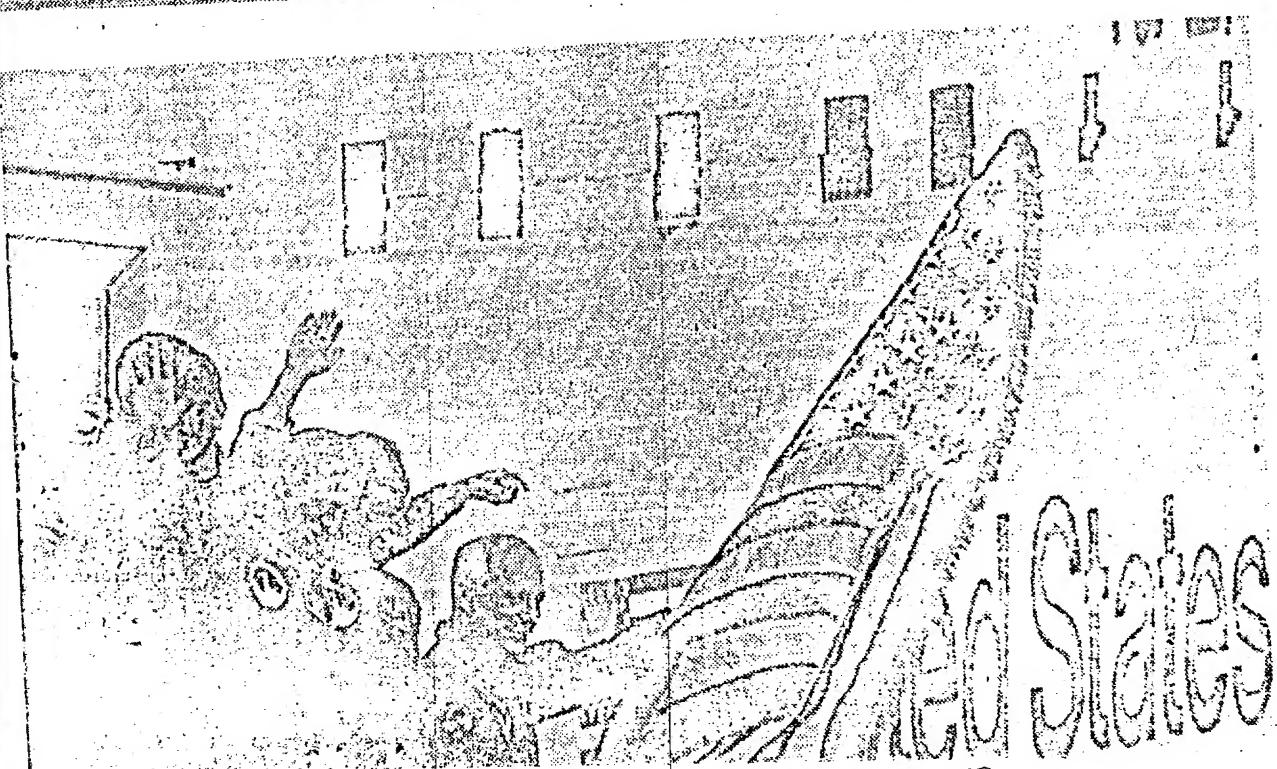
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Discovery Returns 'A Great End to A New Beginning' *Mission Called a 'Stunning Success'*

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EDWARDS AIR FORCE
 Calif., Oct. 3—The space
 Discovery completed a near-
 four-day mission today with
 less landing on a striped strip
 the center of Runway 17.

With a trademark double
 boom, the shuttle glided in
 and a three-point touch
 12:37:08 EDT, concluding
 U.S. mission to space since
 early 1986 Challenger accident.

The mission was described
 absolutely stunning success
 beaming Rear Adm. Richard
 Truly, NASA's chief of space
 after he and other officials
 Vice President Bush
 greeted the five astronauts as they emerged
 orbiter.

"Eat your heart out,
 Yeager!" commander

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